Panel of Chairmen.

Mr. President.—I have to inform the House that I have nominated Mr. P. C. Varkey and Mr. K. Ayyappan on the Panel of Chairmen.

Voting of Demands for Grants.

24—Ayurveda—Rs. 15,818 (*contd.*)

Motion No. 54.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 15,818 for Ayurveda by Re. 1. (The necessity of providing to the Ayurvedic Hospital a few beds.)*

Mr. President.—Sir, this is the only method of medicine which will root out the disease is the general opinion accepted by the people of rural parts. It has lost its prestige for want of patronage. But that it is regaining its own position can very well be seen from the number of patients that resort to these Government dispensaries and particularly to the Ramavarma Central Ayurvedic Hospital which is situated in Trichur. It is also resorted to by persons other than Trichurians. Those who go there from the rural parts, say like the places of the far Chittur Taluk have found it very difficult to get the benefit of this treatment because they are not allowed to lie down there and treated as in-patients. The idea of having a few beds is not a new thing to the Government for if I remember right the Dewan Peishkar has once told me that he would see to the providing of a few beds in the hospital. But unfortunately I find nothing in the Budget. It is simply to bring to the notice of the Government that this is a very necessary item and that a few beds ought to be provided in that hospital that I have brought this motion.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Sir, the question of providing lying in accommodation in this institution was brought preeminently to the notice of the Government sometime during the last budget session if I remember right. Sir, the Government then pointed out that although they had no intention of questioning the merits of the demand, the indigenous system of medicine was such that in practice there was no considerable necessity for lying in accommodation. Still Government did not want to shelve the question. Government directed me to send an approximate estimate to provide accomodation for 10 persons. I have in a way worked it out and it comes to a considerable amount somewhere in the vicinity of Rs. 2000/- annually. I may assure the Hon'ble Member that this question

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will be considered whenever funds are more elastic. For the present we have to be content with what we have.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—I do not press in view of the explanation given by the Hon'ble Member for Revenue.

Motion was, with leave, withdrawn.

Motion No. 55.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan.—*To reduce the allotmet of Rs. 15,818 for Ayurveda by Re. 1. (To bring to the notice of the Government the necessity for opening an Ayurvedic Dispensary at Chalakudy and also a Visha Vaidyasala).*

In recommending this motion I have to bring to the notice of the Government that Chalakudi has a population of about 10,000 people. An Ayurvedic dispensary is highly necessary for the place. So also a Vishavaidyasala. I may inform the House that Chalakudi is famous for the number of snakes and the death rate from snake bite is very high. I have asked for statistics about this but I have not received any answer so far. Anyhow a Vishavaidyasala and an Ayurvedic Dispensary are very highly necessary for Chalakudi.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—The question can be considered when funds permit. For the matter of that it is found necessary everywhere. In Chalakudi I suppose there are Panchayat Vaidyasalas. If there are not the question ought to be considered when funds permit and not now.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan.—I do not press it.

Motion was, with leave, with drawn.

Motion No. 56.

Mr. P. J. Alexander.—*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 15,818 for Ayurveda by Re. 1. (To request the Government to extend the scope of the usefulness of the Ayurvedic system by opening Ayurvedic Hospitals or dispensaries in towns as well as in Villages).*

My object in bringing this motion is to request the Government to see whether some means may not be provided in the outer village parts so that the people may be in a better position to avail themselves of the benefit of this system of treatment. In Travancore there is the system of grant-in-aid Ayurvedic dispensaries which serve the interests of a good lot of people. I request the Government to consider the advisability of this suggestion. Of course there are Panchayat dispensaries. It is enough if a greater number of these Panchayat Vaidyasalas is allotted to the village areas especially in the southernmost villages of the State.

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Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—If it is a question giving grant-in-aid to the Ayurvedic Institutions here it is a question which has to be very seriously considered by the Government before arriving at any decision due regard being had to the several circumstances and considerations such as the qualification of the persons in charge of the institutions, whether they do hold diplomas, etc. But the question of increasing the number of Panchayat Vaidyasalas, I hope Government will be prepared to consider whenever funds permit.

Mr. P. J. Alexander.—In view of this assurance, I beg leave of the House to withdraw the motion.

Motion was, with leave, withdrawn.

The demand under Ayurveda put and carried.

25—Public Health—Rs. 1,28,005.

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.— Sir, I rise to move for a grant of Rs. 1,28,005 under 25 Public Health, and I request the House to grant the amount without any deduction, so that even the one rupee may be utilised for the benefit of the people.

Motion No. 57.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.— *To reduce the allotment of Rs. 3,162 for limitation works proper by Re. 1. (To acquaint the Government of the hardships the residents on Mattancheri road will be forced to face if the order for the removal of the latrines on the back water side is enforced.)*

ഈ കട്ടമോഷൻ വായിക്കുമ്പോൾതന്നെ വളരെ രസമുള്ളതും ചിരിയ്ക്കാനുള്ളതുമാണെന്ന നിലയ്ക്കെല്ലാം തോന്നും. ഗവൺമെന്റിൽനിന്നും ഞങ്ങളോട് ഒരു വാക്കുപോലും ചോദിയ്ക്കാതെ മട്ടാഞ്ചേരി കടലോരങ്ങളിലുള്ള ലറ്റ്റിൻസ് എല്ലാം മാറുവാൻ കല്പനയുണ്ടായിട്ടുള്ളതു കാരണം പട്ടണശുചീകരണവിഷയത്തിൽ എത്രമാത്രം ദോഷമുണ്ടാകുമെന്നും, പട്ടണനിവാസികൾക്ക് എത്രത്തോളം കഷ്ടപ്പാടാണു വന്നുചേരുന്നതെന്നും, അതിനാൽ ഈ ഉത്തരവ് ആവശ്യമുള്ള ഒരു സംഗതിയാണോ എന്നും മറ്റുമുള്ള വിവരങ്ങൾ ഗവൺമെൻറിനെ ധരിപ്പിയ്ക്കുവാനാണ് ഞാൻ ഈ കട്ടമോഷൻ അവതരിപ്പിയ്ക്കുന്നത്. ഈ കൊച്ചീക്കായലിന്റെ ഒരറ്റം തേവ്യൻ സമുദ്രത്തിലും, മറേറ അറ്റം തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലുള്ള വെമ്പനാട്ട കായലിലുമാണു ചേന്നിരിയ്ക്കുന്നത്. ഈ കൊച്ചീ കായലിൽ, പല പുഴകളിൽക്കൂടിയും മറ്റു ദിക്കുകളിൽ നിന്നുള്ള അഴുക്കുകൾ ചിലുവന്നുചേരുന്നുണ്ട്. എന്നാൽ ഈ കായലിൽ വന്നുചേരുന്ന അഴുക്കുകൾക്കു മുഖ്യകാരണം, കൊച്ചീ രാജ്യത്തുള്ള

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